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In re Application of:

Tiecheng A. Qiao, et al

RANDOM ARRAY OF MICRO-
SPHERES FOR THE ANALYSIS OF
NUCLEIC ACIDS

RCE of Serial No. 10/036,828

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated June 21, 2004, please
amend the above-identified application as set forth below:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on
page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.